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Docket #: R.17-06-024

CPUC TO HOLD PUBLIC WORKSHOP ON WATER RATE DESIGN

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19, 2019 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), as part of its Water Affordability Proceeding, will hold a public workshop in Sacramento to explore water rate design changes to ensure that rates are equitable across customer classes.

WHAT: Workshop to Address Water Rate Design

WHEN: Thursday, May 2, 2019, 9:30 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

WHERE:

- Imbrecht Hearing Room, California Energy Commission, 1516 9th St., Sacramento CA 95814
- Also available via WEBEX at <https://centurylinkconferencing.webex.com>, meeting number 711 956 906, passcode Afford
- Also available via call-in number at 1-877-820-7831, passcode 707440

BACKGROUND:

On June 29, 2017, the CPUC opened proceeding R.17-06-024 to tackle the issue of water affordability and address consistency among Class A water utilities' low-income rate programs, rate affordability, and sales forecasting. Additionally, this proceeding involves working with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) on recommendations from their Assembly Bill (AB) 401 report.

The purpose of this workshop is to explore potential changes in rate design such that there is a basic amount of water that customers receive at an affordable rate. Panelists will focus on rate structure, including defining the basic quantity, water conservation and customer assistance strategies.



While a quorum of Commissioners and/or their staff may attend, no official action will be taken.

The Ruling setting the public workshop is available at:

<http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Efile/G000/M275/K024/275024498.PDF>.

Documents related to the proceeding are available at:

https://apps.cpuc.ca.gov/apex/f?p=401:56:0::NO:RP,57,RIR:P5_PROCEEDING_SELECT:R1706024.

Written comments on the proceeding may be submitted to: CPUC Public Advisor, 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102, or via email to public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov. Please refer to proceeding number R.17-06-024 on any written or email correspondence about this proceeding. All public comments received are provided to the CPUC's Commissioners and the Administrative Law Judge assigned to the case.

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